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From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

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To the Director.

1. The report from the American embassy in China to the State Department of 27 November 1942 (in telegram No. 168[a], the Chinese embassy was named in error) deals with the existence of extensive trade between the Japanese in occupied territory and Chinese industrialists in the unoccupied territory of China. The principal objects of the trade are wolfram, tung oil, wool and bristles.

2. ARTHUR's[ARTHUR][1] personal report, compiled by him in BEW[11], contains proof of the fact that because of transport difficulties it is necessary finally to give up the idea of sending American troops to China; instead of this it is better to send arms to the Chinese army. According to the calculations of the author even with the help of the Burma Road [4 groups unrecovered] only 6 divisions per year.

3. JACK's[DZHEK][111] information:

(a) On 14 May from Atlantic ports for an unknown destination left a very large convoy of 167 vessels.

(b) In Baltimore dispatch is expected of two ships loaded with food, clothing and medicine for the population of the territories which will be occupied.

(c) At ELGIN FIELD[b] aerodrome, state of Florida, they are [C% experimenting with] aerial "torpedoes" in the form of a glider with a gyroscopic apparatus. They are towed by plane and are released 20-25 miles from the target. The weight of the empty glider is [C% 900] kilograms. Wing span 4.2 meters; purpose - area [C% "bombing".]

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Notes: [a] New York's telegram external No. 927-928 of 16 June 1943. This is apparently a reference to paragraph 2(b) of No. 927.

[b] ELGIN Field here probably refers to EGLIN Field.

Comments:

[1] ARTHUR: Thomas Arthur BISSON

[11] BEW: Board of Economic Warfare.

[111] JACK: Unidentified

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